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Former Vice President Nixon Confirms Instructions Given to CIA

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Former Vice President Nixon said Wednesday his charges that President Kennedy endangered the nation's secret Cuban invasion plans during the 1960 campaign were "personally researched."

Nixon said he has conferred with former President Eisenhower at Palm Desert and that Gen. Eisenhower told him he had ordered Mr. Kennedy fully briefed on foreign problems during the campaign.

President Kennedy at his Washington press conference Wednesday said the issue is closed as far as he is concerned.

"I think that Tuesday's statement by the White House and Mr. Dulles were very clear, and I think that closes that matter." The earlier statement was that Nixon ... was "apparently based on a misunder...

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"The statements, in my book, Six Crises, were based on only the public press accounts of the briefings President Kennedy received during the campaign of 1960 but on personal conversations with responsible individuals who had knowledge of the facts.

"President Eisenhower has authorized me to state that, following the practice he established in 1956, he had given instructions that in regard to U.S. intelligence activities abroad, Sen. Kennedy was to be as fully briefed on our foreign problems as I was.

"Beyond this I have no further comment. My book speaks for itself."

He did not name the "responsible individuals."

Charges Recalled

Nixon charges that after receiving Central Intelligence Agency briefings on U.S. invasion plans, Mr. Kennedy, in October, 1960, advocated U.S. intervention in Cuba.

He contended he was shocked and for the first time in the Presidential cam... position was irresponsible when in fact he had been demanding that the Eisenhower administration take a stronger position against Castro.

Mr. Kennedy claims Cuba was mentioned in two CIA briefings before the Presi... Richard Bissell of CIA.

Dulles supported Mr. Kennedy's disclaimer, saying his pre-election briefings of the President - to - be "did not cover our own government's plans or programs for action, overt or covert."

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